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The few who have not paid their
Mining stock should put up.
As the days get longer more tim-
ber is being denuded for city elec-
tion.

PAPERS that have lived in mortal
fear of a Jim Cummings scoop can
now rest at ease.

Either a good cause or a good en-
tertainment is always liberally sup-
ported in Mexico. The Charity con-
cert, in spite of the weather, was a
success.

There will be a red-hot fight over
submission at Jefferson City this
winter. Two or three lady lobbyists
are now there working in the interest
of the cause.

Among the petitions presented yes-
terday to the Legislature asking the
submission of the Prohibition ques-
tion was one by R. C. Carter, from
citizens of Audrain county.

SENATOR Vest secured a pension of
\$2,000 a year for the widow of
Frank Blair. It is now in order for
some disappointed politician to find
grounds to abuse our Junior Senator
for this worthy deed.

BOONVILLE is to have a Board of
Trade. A Board of Trade is a big
thing for a town if it will keep awake
and make things bite. The Mexico
Board has done much and can do
much more for Mexico.

The great question "are you there
Mortality?" has at last been answer-
ed. Mortality is there—in the St.
Louis jail, on an indictment for being
Wittrock's accessory before and after
the fact. He "got there."

ABOUT \$125 was cleared by the
Charity Concert. We learn that the
Harvesters will divide even with the
Charity Committee. This allows
\$60 for the Harvesters and \$60 for
the poor. This is very clever on the
part of the Harvesters.

A MEETING of the Board of Trade
is called. No one is present except
the secretary and one or two other
members perhaps struggle in. No
sane man can expect the Board to
accomplish anything unless it wakes
up and the members come out to the
meetings.

WHEN the Czar is in need of rubles,
which is Russian for shekels, for
spenduliches—he issues a ukase putting
a tax of some sort upon some class
of his subjects who are not popular.
Except our own tariff system, there
is scarcely any scheme that stands
ahead of the Czar's.

HAPPINESS is like rest, found with-
out effort and denied to such as
forever seek it instead of enjoying it.
The poor man is not happy because
he wishes to be rich, imagining that
riches would bring peace. The rich
man is not happy for even more rea-
sons than the poor man is not. He
is unhappy because he is not richer,
because he fears he will lose his
riches.

SEE statement of Mexico National
Bank in this issue. This bank, like
the other two Mexico banks, is well
offered, and economically managed.
The Mexico banks are liberal in all
of their transactions. The dividends
of the banks of Mexico show clearly
that they do a safe business and at
the same time their customers are
never pressed, and cannot complain
of extortion.

CHILDREN should be accustomed to
make sacrifices—not artificial ones
invented for the sake of discipline,
but real sacrifices made for worthy
objects. The daily life of every child
affords ample opportunity of learning
this lesson and of forming this habit.
Too often now only his own present
gratification is offered to him as a
motive, and the necessary interfer-
ences with that are either made under
cover of something pleasant, like a
sugar-coated pill, or forced through
by an authority that stoops to no ex-
planation. Thus the habit of volun-
tary sacrifice for higher good is not
formed, and the satisfaction of pres-
ent desires continues to be the ruling
motive.

Without Spot or Blemish.
From the Bowling Green Times.
B. L. Locke, who has been County
Clerk of Audrain county for twenty
years, retired Monday, turning the
office over to that gem of good fel-
lows, Virgil Williams. Mr. Locke re-
tires without a spot or blemish on his
personal official character.

Married, Dec. 29, 1886, by Rev.
Featherston, W. C. Winscott, of Mex-
ico, to Miss Etta McKinney, of
Monroe county.—Sturgeon Adver-
tiser.

Sterling Reagan, the young man
who accidentally shot himself some
days ago, is doing as well as could
be expected, considering the severity
of the wound.

The residence of Ed. Willingham,
8 miles north of Mexico, burned
Tuesday. Insured in the Phoenix,
J. F. Roenberry agent.

A majority of the insurance com-
panies that did business in this city
last year, have renewed their license,
and will continue as before.

W. W. Wilson, charged with as-
saulting C. C. Mallory, was fined \$5
and costs before Justice Winscott.

C. E. Funnell, of the "Famons," is
back from the East with a new invoice
of goods.

There is no danger of an ice famine
in this city next Summer.

COMPLIMENTS OF
R. M. WHITE,
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BEST ON EARTH.

JANUARY.							FEBRUARY.							MARCH.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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APRIL.							MAY.							JUNE.						
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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JULY.							AUGUST.							SEPTEMBER.						
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
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OCTOBER.							NOVEMBER.							DECEMBER.						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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Daily
Weekly.



Who it is that has not a cold.
If the worst of winter is not passed
If the city election won't be red-hot.
The cause of so many divorce suits.
If the Doctors are not very busy
now.

If there will be primaries in the
spring, as usual.
Why all the Mexico merchants
don't advertise.

If the Board of Trade should not
keep wide awake.
If Audrain has not a fair crop of
rabbits this season.

If Mexico will not have a building
boom in the spring.
When the Home Insurance Compa-
ny will be started.

Why the wooden awnings in Mexi-
co can't be dispensed with.
Any county that has fewer farms
for rent or sale than Audrain.

If Stevens & Mitchell are not hav-
ing rather a mixed New Year.
If some of our business men care
whether Mexico booms or not.

If we are really going to have a
Prohibition ticket in the spring.
If the City Council could not sell
the old fire engine and buy more hose.

If by this time next year we won't
know what is in the earth underneath
us.

Who will be our next Mayor?
Mayor Emmons, who has made a
most excellent one, says he don't
want it.

Cold Weather.
Following will be found a table
showing the lowest temperature at
different times during the past seven
years, furnished by J. F. Llewellyn:

Jan. 2, 1879.....-20 " "
Jan. 4, 1879.....-20 " "
Jan. 6, 1879.....-20 " "
Jan. 8, 1879.....-16 " "
Jan. 10, 1881.....-16 " "
Jan. 12, 1881.....-16 " "
Jan. 14, 1881.....-16 " "
Jan. 16, 1881.....-16 " "
Jan. 18, 1881.....-16 " "
Jan. 20, 1881.....-16 " "
Jan. 22, 1881.....-16 " "
Jan. 24, 1881.....-16 " "
Jan. 26, 1881.....-16 " "
Jan. 28, 1881.....-16 " "
Jan. 30, 1881.....-16 " "

We are not surprised that the edi-
tor of the *Indicator* should errone-
ously draw the inference he has. It
is characteristic of him. The *Me-
ssenger* is not opposed to genuine
temperance lectures receiving pay
for their labor like other people—no
more, no less. What it does object
to is in the work of Shields in his failure
to "practice what he preaches."

We have known him for fifteen years
and know that he gets howling drunk
on many of his lecturing tours. For
this besetting sin he was expelled
from the M. E. Conference of Illi-
nois. We say this with sincere sor-
row. He is a clear, forcible talker,
and so far has been the means of in-
ducing hundreds to sign a temperance
pledge, but his example has been
against his work having good and
permanent results, and he has,
rather, brought reproach upon a good
cause. It is only this class of tem-
perance lectures that the *Messenger*
opposes. It believes that the laborer
is worthy of his hire; believes in en-
couraging "moral suasion" with
money, in proportion to the value
of the labor done; but it does not be-
lieve that the cause of temperance
can be advanced by sustaining, with
"big pay," a class of traveling pseudo
reformers who mount the temperance
rostrum, not for the good they hope
to accomplish, but for the money
that results therefrom. We have as
high regard as any one for a man who
has honest, pronounced views on
temperance or any other question af-
fecting the best interests of society,
and is loyal to his convictions, but
he has only words of condemnation for
the brazen, oil-tongued hypocrite—
and the latter class is by no means
confined to the lecturers on temper-
ance. The true temperance man is
loud-mouthed, not one who exults
himself, nor yet one who, while
preaching prohibition, drinks liquor
slyly at home. The same test applies
to religion, and particularly that
class of so-called religionists who fall
in with every new-fangled theory of
getting to glory that comes along
in this age of humbugs. "If this be
treason" to the cause, "make the
most of it." We await the next
"inference" of our distinguished
contemporary with fear and trembling.

We want our neighbor city of
Mexico to be a little careful about
boring through to China, in search of
coal. We've never got the boyish
idea out of our head that the old
versioned shod was down below
somewhere, and we don't want to
open up any more direct communica-
tion with "hotter world"—Middle-
town Chicks.

The following named officers were
elected at the last regular meeting
of the I. O. O. F., and will be installed
next Thursday night: Chas. N.
Morgener, N. G. Wm. H. Diesel,
V. G., Jas. W. McWilliams, Rec.
Sec'y, J. N. Roenberry, Cor. Sec'y,
T. J. Holt, Treasurer.

Says the Post-Dispatch: "Jim
Cummings" turns out to be a Kansas
man; and thus another bright jewel
is plucked from the Tyrian purple
crown of Chicago.

Mr. A. Fuenger, 606 Walnut street,
St. Louis, Mo., suffered for 2 years
with lumbago, and was confined to
his bed for several months. He was
entirely cured by the use of St.
Jacobs Oil, which he says is also the
best cure for sprains and all other
pains.

Capt. Dan K. Shields failed to
lecture here at the Opera House last
Tuesday night, as it was announced
that he would, on account of the
house being slim—Marshall Pro-
gram.

From One Point of View.
From the Louisville Courier-Journal.
The Republican in office is a true,
disinterested patriot. The Democrat
out of office is a sordid, dangerous
spoilsmen.

ALEXANDER SPEAKER.
The Railroad Bosses Set Down On.
Both branches of the Legislature Or-
ganized and in Working Order.

Wednesday, Jan. 5, the House
was called to order by Chief Clerk,
W. P. Bentley, of the Thirty-third
General Assembly. Rev. G. M. Boone,
of Jefferson City, opened the pro-
ceedings with prayer. For tempo-
rary Speaker, Dr. Donelan, of St. Joe,
and Dr. S. K. Crawford, of Benton,
were nominated. The roll was called,
and Dr. D. A. Donelan was declared
elected to preside over the proceed-
ings of the House until the regular
organization. Mr. W. P. Bentley, of
St. Louis, was unanimously elected
to the temporary Chief Clerk. Clerk
Bentley announced a caucus of Dem-
ocratic members in the chamber of
the House in the evening, for the
nomination of permanent officers of
the House, and the House adjourned
until 9 o'clock Thursday morning.

THE SENATE.
Lieut.-Gov. Morehouse called the
Senate to order at 12 o'clock, and
prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Gier-
low, of Kansas City. H. L. Gray
was elected temporary Secretary. J.
H. Davidson was elected for minute
clerk. Secretary Gray